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Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply, which was mailed March 25, 2002 and a copy of which is attached. Enclosed are substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84.

According to Mr. Mark Polutta of the United States Patent and Trademark Office – Office of Legal Administration, the period for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts, which ended December 19, 2001, should be restarted as of the mailing date of the Notice of Incomplete Reply, March 25, 2002, because of the Patent Office's delay in mailing the Notice of Incomplete Reply. Therefore, because this response is being filed within a time that would have fallen within the original period for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts, this response is not being accompanied by a request for extension of time.

However, if it is ultimately determined that an extension fee is due, contrary to Mr. Polutta's reassurances, please debit Deposit Account No. 13-3080 with any shortage of the fees associated with this communication.

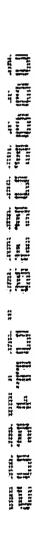
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#### Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 01/31/2002 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 10/19/2001 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

A copy of this notice <u>MUST</u> be returned with the reply.

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